

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re:

PG&E CORPORATION

- and -

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Debtors.

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric Company
☒ Affects both Debtors

* All papers shall be filed in the Lead Case,
No. 19-30088 (DM).

Case No. 19-30088 (DM)

Chapter 11

(Lead Case)

(Jointly Administered)

**FOURTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION
OF MILBANK LLP FOR ALLOWANCE
AND PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION AND
REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES
INCURRED AS COUNSEL TO THE
OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED
CREDITORS FOR THE PERIOD FROM
FEBRUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH MAY 31,
2020**

Re: Docket Nos.: 6797, 7373, 7892 and 8189

Objection Deadline: August 5, 2020,
at 4:00 p.m. (PT)

Name of Applicant:

Milbank LLP

Authorized to Provide Professional Services to:

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors

Date of Retention:

April 29, 2019 *nunc pro tunc* to February 12, 2019

Time Period for which compensation
and reimbursement are sought:

February 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020

Amount of Compensation sought as actual,
reasonable, and necessary:

\$4,942,522.75

Amount of Expense Reimbursement sought
as actual, reasonable, and necessary:

\$146,824.85

Total Compensation and Expenses
Requested for Compensation Period:

\$5,089,347.60

1 This is a(n): ____ monthly X interim ____ final application

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3 This is the fourth interim fee application filed by Milbank LLP in these cases.

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Summary of Monthly Fee Statements for Compensation Period:

Filing	Period Covered	Requested		Approved/ Pending Approval		Holdback Fees (20%) Requested Fees
		Fees	Expenses	Fees (80%)	Expenses (100%)	
<i>Thirteenth Monthly Fee Statement</i>						
Docket No. 6797	2/1/20 - 2/29/20	\$1,296,101.25	\$80,249.66	\$1,036,881.00	\$80,249.66	\$259,220.25
Date Filed: 4/20/20						
<i>Fourteenth Monthly Fee Statement</i>						
Docket No. 7373	3/1/20 - 3/31/20	\$1,582,052.00	\$38,785.73	\$1,265,641.40	\$38,785.73	\$316,410.40
Date Filed: 5/18/20						
<i>Fifteenth Monthly Fee Statement</i>						
Docket No. 7892	4/1/20 - 4/30/20	\$1,137,697.00	\$13,174.38	\$910,157.60	\$13,174.38	\$227,539.40
Date Filed: 6/11/20						
<i>Sixteenth Monthly Fee Statement</i>						
Docket No. 8189	5/1/20 - 5/31/20	\$926,672.50	\$14,615.08	\$741,338.00	\$14,615.08	\$185,334.50
Date Filed: 6/29/20						
TOTALS:		\$4,942,522.75	\$146,824.85	\$3,954,018.00	\$146,824.85	\$988,504.55

Summary of Any Objections to Monthly Fee Applications: No objections were filed with respect to the Thirteenth, Fourteenth or Fifteenth Monthly Fee Statements. See Certificates of No Objection [Docket Nos. 7157, 7845 and 8271]. The objection deadline with respect to the Sixteenth Monthly Fee Statement is July 20, 2020.

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13 **THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR THE PERIOD**
14 **FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH MAY 31, 2020**

15 TO THE HONORABLE DENNIS MONTALI
16 UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

17 Milbank LLP ("Milbank"), counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the
18 "Committee") of PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (collectively, the
19 "Debtors") in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (these "Chapter 11 Cases"), hereby submits
20 its fourth interim application (this "Fourth Interim Application"), seeking entry of an order
21 pursuant to: (i) sections 330 and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532
22 (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code"); (ii) Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy
23 Procedure (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Rules"); (iii) the *Order Establishing Procedures for*
24 *Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals*, dated February 27, 2019
25 [Docket No. 701] (the "Interim Compensation Order"); (iv) the *Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C.*
26 *Section 1103(a) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014 and 2016 Authorizing the Retention and Employment*
27 *of Milbank LLP as Counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors Effective as of*
28 *February 12, 2019* [Docket No. 1766] (the "Retention Order"); (v) the United States Trustee's
Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses by

1 *Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases*, effective November 1, 2013 (the “U.S. Trustee
2 Guidelines”); (vi) the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Northern District of California (the “Local
3 Rules”); (vii) the *Guidelines for Compensation and Expense Reimbursement of Professionals and*
4 *Trustees for the Northern District of California*, dated February 19, 2014 (the “Local Guidelines”
5 and together with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, the “Fee Guidelines”); and (viii) the *Fee Examiner*
6 *Protocol for Chapter 11 Cases of PG&E Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company*, filed
7 on October 24, 2019 [Docket No. 4473-1] (the “Fee Examiner Protocol”).

9 By this Fourth Interim Application, Milbank seeks the allowance, on an interim basis, and
10 payment (to the extent not previously paid) of: (i) compensation for professional services rendered
11 during the period from February 1, 2020 through and including May 31, 2020 (the “Compensation
12 Period”) in the aggregate amount of \$4,942,522.75, including amounts previously held back
13 pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order; and (ii) reimbursement of actual and necessary
14 expenses incurred by Milbank in connection with such services during the Compensation Period
15 in the amount of \$146,824.85. In support of this Fourth Interim Application, Milbank respectfully
16 states as follows:

18 **PRELIMINARY STATEMENT**

19 1. Filed in the aftermath of the horrific 2017 and 2018 wildfires in Northern
20 California, these chapter 11 cases represent one of the largest and most complex chapter 11 filings
21 in United States history. From its formation, the Committee has undertaken its duties with two
22 goals – to attempt to work consensually with all of the various constituents to bring these cases to
23 an expeditious conclusion, while at the same time working to ensure that the various rights and
24 ultimate recovery of the Committee’s unsecured creditor constituency are protected. With these
25 goals in mind, Milbank has advised the Committee on the numerous plan, financing, regulatory
26 and confirmation issues. After eighteen months, these efforts culminated in the confirmation of
27 the Debtors’ chapter 11 plan (as amended, the “Plan”) on June 20, 2020.
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1 2. Milbank's efforts during this Compensation Period have largely been focused on
2 the Debtors' plan process and confirmation. Prior to the beginning of the Compensation Period,
3 on December 6, 2019, the Debtors, the Official Committee of Tort Claimants (the "TCC"), the
4 Consenting Fire Claimant Professional Group and the Shareholder Proponents entered into a
5 Restructuring Support Agreement (as amended, the "Tort Claimants RSA") [Docket No. 5038]
6 that, among other things, resolved the treatment of all Fire Victim Claims under the Plan. Soon
7 thereafter, on January 22, 2020, the Debtors, the Shareholder Proponents, and the Ad Hoc
8 Noteholders Committee (the "Noteholders") entered into that certain Restructuring Support
9 Agreement (the "Noteholder RSA") [Docket No. 5519], pursuant to which, among other things,
10 the Noteholders also agreed to support the Plan. The Court approved the Noteholder RSA during
11 the Compensation Period [Docket No. 5637]. Subsequently, the Debtors filed an earlier version
12 of the Plan on January 31, 2020 [Docket No. 5590] containing its agreements with the TCC, the
13 Noteholders as well as settlements with the Ad Hoc Subrogation Claimants Group and certain
14 public entities which had been entered into previously. These settlements formed the core of the
15 eventually confirmed Plan.
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18 3. A further revised version of the Plan was filed during the Compensation Period on
19 March 9, 2020 [Docket No. 6217], along with a related proposed Disclosure Statement (the
20 "Disclosure Statement") [Docket No. 6219] and the Debtors' Solicitation Procedures Motion
21 [Docket No. 5835].
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23 4. For the remainder of the Compensation Period, the chief focus of all parties in these
24 chapter 11 cases was to reach a proper and successful confirmation. To that end, on March 6,
25 2020, the Committee filed a statement regarding the Disclosure Statement [Docket No. 6154].
26 While the Committee did not oppose the Disclosure Statement itself, it did raise certain issues with
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1 regard to the Plan, including numerous changes that were ultimately included in the Plan. The
2 Disclosure Statement was ultimately approved by the Court on March 17, 2020 [Docket No. 6340].

3 5. In support of the Plan, the Debtors also filed Exit Financing Motion [Docket No.
4 6013]. The Committee reviewed and diligence all of the various components of the proposed Exit
5 Financing to ensure that the proposed financing was not illusory, met the feasibility requirements
6 of section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code and was on the best terms available. The Committee also
7 filed a statement with respect to its views regarding the Exit Financing Motion [Docket No. 6277].
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9 6. Following approval of the Disclosure Statement and Exit Financing Motion, the
10 Committee actively took part in plan negotiations and sought a number of specific changes to the
11 Plan on behalf of its constituency. Such efforts involved participating in numerous discussions
12 with the Debtors, other constituents as well as attending numerous hearings, reviewing the Court's
13 various docket text orders and reviewing numerous pleadings, amendments and supplements
14 regarding the Plan. These efforts eventually led to the successful confirmation of the Plan, which
15 occurred immediately following the end of the Compensation Period, on June 20, 2020.
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17 7. In addition to the Committee's efforts regarding the Plan, during this period and in
18 connection with the larger plan process, the Committee also took leading roles with respect to:
19 (i) an appeal of the Court's PPI Decision [Docket No. 6199] (the "PPI Appeal"); (ii) *The Official*
20 *Committee of Tort Claimants' Motion to Establish Procedures for Discovery Preceding Plan*
21 *Confirmation* [Docket No. 5840] (the "TCC Discovery Motion") [Docket No. 5840]; (iii) *The*
22 *Official Committee of Tort Claimants' Motion For Standing To Prosecute Claims Of The Debtors'*
23 *Estates* [Docket No. 5972] (the "TCC Standing Motion"); and (iv) the Debtors' *Motion Pursuant*
24 *to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 363(b), and 503(c) for Entry of an Order Approving Debtors' 2020 (I)*
25 *Short Term Incentive Plan; (II) Long Term Incentive Plan; (III) Performance Metrics for the Chief*
26 *Executive Officer and President of PG&E Corporation; and (IV) Granting Related Relief* (the
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1 “2020 Employee Compensation Motion”) [Docket No. 6088]. Milbank attorneys similarly
2 reviewed, advised the Committee on, and participated in discovery regarding each of these motion
3 and appeals.

4 8. Milbank attorneys also appeared on behalf of the Committee at all of the Debtors’
5 omnibus and telephonic hearings before the Bankruptcy Court, on all motions and applications, in
6 addition to numerous other matters. Milbank attorneys also participated in numerous meetings,
7 depositions and conferences with the Debtors, representatives of the other major case constituents,
8 Committee members and other unsecured creditors and drafted and filed on behalf of the
9 Committee numerous pleadings, including objections, statements, discovery requests, notices and
10 stipulations with respect to, among other things, the various motions and applications listed above.
11 Milbank also attended numerous hearings before the California Public Utilities Commission
12 (“CPUC”).
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15 9. All of these efforts have allowed the Committee to carry out its fiduciary
16 responsibilities to the Debtors’ unsecured creditors and bring these cases to a successful end. The
17 professional services performed and expenses incurred by Milbank were actual and necessary to
18 preserve and maximize the value of the Debtors’ estates for the benefit of general unsecured
19 creditors.
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21 10. In light of the size, complexity and nature of these cases, Milbank’s charges for
22 professional services performed and expenses incurred are reasonable under the applicable
23 standards. Milbank respectfully requests that the Court grant this Fourth Interim Application and
24 allow interim compensation for professional services and reimbursement for expenses as requested
25 herein.
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27 **BACKGROUND**

28 11. Bankruptcy Filing. On January 29, 2019 (the “Petition Date”), each of the Debtors
filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in this Court. The

1 Debtors continue to manage and operate their businesses and properties as debtors in possession
2 pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner has been
3 appointed in these cases. On February 1, 2019 the Court entered an order consolidating these cases
4 for procedural purposes only [Docket No. 207].

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6 12. Creditors' Committee. On February 12, 2019, the United States Trustee for the
7 Northern District of California (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed the Committee [Docket No. 409].
8 The Committee currently consists of the following nine members: (i) BOKF, N.A., as indenture
9 trustee under unsecured bond indentures; (ii) The Davey Tree Expert Company, Davey Tree
10 Surgery Company, and DRG, Inc.; (iii) Deutsche Bank National Trust Company and Deutsche
11 Bank Trust Company Americas, as indenture trustee; (iv) G4S Secure Solutions (USA) Inc. and
12 G4S Secure Integration LLC; (v) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 1245;
13 (vi) Mizuho Bank, Ltd.; (vii) NextEra Energy, Inc.; (viii) Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation;
14 and (ix) Roebbelen Contracting, Inc.
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16 13. Jurisdiction. This Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
17 §§ 157 and 1334. Venue of the Chapter 11 Cases is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and
18 1409. This matter is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2). The statutory predicates for
19 the relief sought herein are sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.
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21 14. Authorization for Milbank's Retention. On April 3, 2019, the Committee filed its
22 *Application to Employ Milbank LLP as Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors,*
23 *Effective as February 12, 2019* [Docket No. 1208] (the "Retention Application"). In connection
24 with the Retention Application, Milbank filed the *Declaration of Thomas R. Kreller in Support of*
25 *Application to Employ Milbank LLP as Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors,*
26 *Effective as of February 12, 2019* (the "Kreller Declaration") [Docket No. 1210]. On April 29,
27 2019, the Court authorized Milbank's retention as counsel to the Committee. The Retention Order
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1 provides that Milbank will be compensated on an hourly basis for services rendered to the
2 Committee and reimbursed for actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses. This Fourth Interim
3 Application is Milbank's fourth interim application for the payment of its fees and reimbursement
4 of its expenses as well the release of the twenty-percent holdback (the "Holdback") maintained
5 during the Compensation Period. Milbank is not holding, and has not held, any retainer in
6 connection with these cases or work performed on behalf of the Committee.
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8 15. Fee Examiner. On May 28, 2019, the Court entered an order appointing Bruce A.
9 Markell as fee examiner (the "Fee Examiner") in these cases [Docket No. 2267]. Subsequently,
10 the parties have agreed to the Fee Protocol. Milbank has provided certain information to the Fee
11 Examiner, including copies of pertinent receipts, as requested by the Fee Examiner so that he may
12 evaluate the reasonableness of certain expenses sought in this Fourth Interim Application.
13 Milbank is in the process of providing additional expense information to the Fee Examiner with
14 respect to certain information related to this Fourth Interim Application as well.
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16 16. Status of Cases. The Debtors are continuing their operations as debtors in
17 possession. The Debtors filed their proposed disclosure statement on February 7, 2020 [Docket
18 No. 5700] and certain schedules and exhibits thereto on February 18, 2020 [Docket No. 5801].
19 Most recently, the Debtors filed the Plan on June 19, 2020, which was confirmed on June 20, 2020.
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21 17. Monthly Fee Statements. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order,
22 each Retained Professional (as defined therein) is required to file monthly fee statements. To the
23 extent there are no objections to a monthly fee statement, the relevant Retained Professional is
24 authorized to file a certification of no objection, after which the Debtors are authorized to pay such
25 professional eighty percent (80%) of the fees and one hundred percent (100%) of the expenses
26 requested in such monthly fee statement. Interim Compensation Order ¶ 2(f). Pursuant to the
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1 Interim Compensation Order, Milbank submitted the following monthly fee statements (each a
2 “Monthly Fee Statement”):

- 3 a. On April 20, 2020, Milbank filed its thirteenth fee statement for the period from
4 February 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020 [Docket No. 6797] (the “Thirteenth
5 Fee Statement”). The Thirteenth Fee Statement sought: (i) compensation for
6 services rendered, in the amount of \$1,296,101.25; and (ii) reimbursement of actual
7 and necessary expenses incurred in connection with such services, in the amount of
8 \$80,249.66.
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10 b. On May 18, 2020, Milbank filed its fourteenth fee statement for the period from
11 March 1, 2020 through and including March 31, 2020 [Docket No. 7373] (the
12 “Fourteenth Fee Statement”). The Fourteenth Fee Statement sought: (i)
13 compensation for services rendered, in the amount of \$1,582,052.00; and
14 (ii) reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with
15 such services, in the amount of \$38,785.73.
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17 c. On June 11, 2020, Milbank filed its fifteenth fee statement for the period from April
18 1, 2020 through and including April 30, 2020 [Docket No. 7892] (the “Fifteenth
19 Fee Statement”). The Fifteenth Fee Statement sought: (i) compensation for services
20 rendered, in the amount of \$1,137,697.00; and (ii) reimbursement of actual and
21 necessary expenses incurred in connection with such services, in the amount of
22 \$13,174.38.
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24 d. On June 29, 2020, Milbank filed its sixteenth fee statement for the period from May
25 1, 2020 through and including May 31, 2020 [Docket No. 8189] (the “Sixteenth
26 Fee Statement”). The Sixteenth Fee Statement sought: (i) compensation for
27 services rendered, in the amount of \$926,672.50; and (ii) reimbursement of actual
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1 and necessary expenses incurred in connection with such services, in the amount of
2 \$14,615.08.¹

3 18. Milbank has not entered into any agreement, express or implied, with any other
4 party for the purpose of fixing or sharing fees or other compensation to be paid for professional
5 services rendered in the Chapter 11 Cases. No promises have been received by Milbank or any
6 member thereof as to compensation in connection with these cases other than in accordance with
7 the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.
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9 **RELIEF REQUESTED**

10 19. By this Fourth Interim Application, Milbank seeks: (i) interim allowance and award
11 of 100% of the compensation for professional services rendered by Milbank, as counsel to the
12 Committee, during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$4,942,522.75; (ii) reimbursement
13 of actual and necessary expenses incurred by Milbank in connection with such services during the
14 Compensation Period in the amount of \$146,824.85; and (iii) the release of the Holdback.
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16 20. As stated in the certification (the “Kreller Certificate”) attached hereto as **Exhibit**
17 **G**, which certifies Milbank’s compliance with the Fee Guidelines, all of the services for which
18 compensation is sought herein were rendered solely for or on behalf of the Committee in
19 connection with these cases.

20 21. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, Milbank has already received
21 payment for the Compensation Period in the total amount of \$2,421,557.99. Milbank seeks further
22 payment of \$2,667,789.61 pursuant to this Fourth Interim Application, which amount represents
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25 ¹ The objection deadlines for the Thirteenth Fee Statement, the Fourteenth Fee Statement and the
26 Fifteenth Fee Statement expired on May 11, 2020, June 8, 2020 and July 2, 2020, respectively. No
27 objections were filed with respect to the Thirteenth, Fourteenth or Fifteenth Fee Statements, and a
28 *Certificate of No Objection* has been filed with respect to each [Docket Nos. 7157, 7845 and 8271,
respectively]. The objection deadline with respect to the Sixteenth Fee Statement (filed on June 29,
2020) has not yet passed, thus, the amounts requested therein have not yet been allowed. To date, no
objections have been filed with respect this fee statement either.

1 the portion of Milbank's fees for legal services rendered and expenses incurred during the
2 Compensation Period not previously paid to Milbank pursuant to the Monthly Fee Statements.

3 22. The fees sought by this Fourth Interim Application reflect an aggregate of 4,485.70
4 hours of attorney and paraprofessional time spent and recorded in performing services to the
5 Committee during the Compensation Period, at a blended average hourly rate of \$1,101.84 for
6 both attorneys and paraprofessionals. The blended hourly rate for attorneys is \$1,148.47.
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8 23. The fees charged by Milbank in these cases are billed in accordance with Milbank's
9 existing billing rates and procedures in effect during the Compensation Period. The rates Milbank
10 charges for the services rendered by its professionals in these cases generally are the same rates
11 Milbank charges for professional services rendered in comparable bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy
12 related matters. Such fees are reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by
13 comparably skilled practitioners in comparable bankruptcy and non-bankruptcy cases in a
14 competitive legal market.
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16 24. Copies of Milbank's invoices detailing the services rendered and expenses incurred
17 during the Compensation Period are attached to the Monthly Fee Statements, which have been
18 filed on the docket and furnished to the Debtors, counsel to the TCC, the U.S. Trustee and the Fee
19 Examiner. Milbank has provided the Fee Examiner and U.S. Trustee with the Monthly Fee
20 Statements in an electronic LEDES format Milbank believes is acceptable to these parties.
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22 25. Milbank has made every effort to ensure that this Fourth Interim Application
23 complies with the Fee Guidelines and Fee Protocol to the extent applicable.
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1 **SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED**

2 26. In the ordinary course of its practice, Milbank maintains written records of the time
3 expended by professionals and paraprofessionals in the rendition of professional services.² A chart
4 showing the name of each relevant professional or paraprofessional, each attorney's year of bar
5 admission, the aggregate time expended by each such professional or paraprofessional, the hourly
6 billing rate for each such professional or paraprofessional in effect during the Compensation
7 Period, and the amount requested for each such professional or paraprofessional is attached hereto
8 as **Exhibit A**. A schedule of the project categories and amounts for which compensation is
9 requested in each category is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

11 27. In the ordinary course of its practice, Milbank also maintains records of all actual
12 and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the performance of professional
13 services, all of which are available for inspection. A detailed summary of the expenses incurred
14 during the Compensation Period is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

16 28. Milbank respectfully submits that the services that it has rendered on behalf of the
17 Committee during the Compensation Period were necessary and appropriate and have directly
18 contributed to the effective administration of these cases.

19 29. Annexed hereto as **Exhibit D** is a summary and comparison of the aggregate
20 blended hourly rates billed by Milbank's timekeepers in all domestic offices to non-bankruptcy
21 matters during the preceding fiscal year and the blended hourly rates billed to the Debtors during
22 the Compensation Period.

24 30. Milbank discussed its rates, fees, and staffing with the Committee at the outset of
25 its retention in these cases. The Committee is aware of the complexities of these cases, the many
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27 ² Copies of these computerized records (as modified to address privileged and confidential matters) have
28 been filed on the docket with the Monthly Fee Statements and furnished to the Debtors, the TCC, the
U.S. Trustee and the Fee Examiner.

1 issues that need to be addressed, the various disciplines involved, and that the staffing needs are
2 dynamic and based on a number of factors, many of which are unpredictable, including the
3 activities of other parties in interest in these cases.³ **Exhibit E** is the *Certification of Thomas R.*
4 *Kreller*, certifying certain matters addressed in this Fourth Interim Application.

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6 **Summary of Services Performed by
Milbank by Project Code**

7 31. The following summary of services rendered during the Compensation Period is
8 not intended to be a detailed description of the work performed. Rather, it merely highlights certain
9 project billing categories areas in which significant services were rendered by Milbank, as well as
10 identifies some of the issues Milbank was required to address. Detailed descriptions of the day-
11 to-day services provided by Milbank and the time expended performing such services in each
12 project billing category were attached as exhibits to the Monthly Fee Statements. Such detailed
13 descriptions demonstrate that Milbank was heavily involved in the performance of services for the
14 Committee on a daily basis, including night and weekend work, often under extreme time
15 constraints, to meet the needs of the Committee.
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17 **Automatic Stay**
18 (Fees: \$5,892.50; Hours: 6.70)

19 32. During the Compensation Period, Milbank attorneys reviewed various motions
20 asking the Court to: (a) lift the automatic stay; (b) abstain from addressing certain matters; and/or
21 (c) find that the automatic stay did not apply, including those filed by, among others: (i) Kayla
22 Ruhnke and E.R.; (ii) San Joaquin Irrigation District; (iii) Adam Cronin; (iv) Sarah Pazdan;
23 (v) Laurie Deuschel; and (vi) numerous appellants in a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals case related
24 to Hinkley, CA. In connection with the various stay motions, Milbank researched legal issues
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28 ³ While Milbank has previously provided the Committee its budgets and staffing plans for earlier
interim periods, given that the Committee has been dissolved at this time, Milbank believed that
providing a budget and staffing plan for the Compensation Period was not necessary.

1 where necessary, drafted memoranda regarding the issues raised therein, and corresponded and
2 worked with counsel to the Debtors to address and resolve any issues where possible.

3 **Bankruptcy Litigation**
4 (Fees: \$726,238.50; Hours: 726.90)

5 33. During the Compensation Period, Milbank attorneys engaged in various litigation
6 and discovery related activities in connection with: (i) settlements between the Debtors, the United
7 States Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”),
8 California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services (“Cal OES”), and other federal and state
9 agencies of damages claims arising from the 2017 and 2018 wildfires; (ii) the Committee’s PPI
10 Appeal and related papers; (iii) the TCC Discovery Motion; (iv) diligence received from the TCC
11 with respect to assignment of potential causes of action of the Debtors to the Fire Victim Trust;
12 (v) the TCC Standing Motion; (vi) the *Ex Parte Applications of the Official Committee of Tort*
13 *Claimants Pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2004 for Entry of An Order*
14 *Authorizing Service of a Subpoena* on various of the Debtors’ vendors [Docket No. 6342, et al.];
15 (vii) appeals to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals related to the adversary proceeding initiated by
16 the Debtors for a preliminary injunction against the FERC (Adv. Pro. 19-03003); (viii) *Motion for*
17 *the Appointment of an Examiner of Voting Procedural Irregularities* [Docket No. 7568]; and
18 (ix) the criminal probationary proceedings before Judge Alsup in *U.S. v. Pacific Gas and Electric*
19 *Co.*, Case No. 14-cr-00175 (WHA) (N.D. Cal.).⁴ Among other things, Milbank attorneys, as
20 applicable, reviewed underlying pleadings, including motions, briefs, objections, and proposed
21 orders, researched relevant legal issues and diligenced factual issues, received and reviewed
22 discovery in connection with certain matters, advised the Committee and members thereof, drafted
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28 ⁴ Where appropriate, Milbank moved litigation time to other submatters, such as plan or wildfire matters below.

1 related memoranda for the Committee, prepared and filed pleadings in support of the Committee's
2 positions, and participated in hearings before the Court with respect to these issues.

3 **Case Administration**

4 (Fees: \$133,970.50; Hours: 191.40)

5 34. During the Compensation Period, Milbank expended substantial time attending to
6 various case administrative matters, including among other things: (i) preparing and updating an
7 internal calendar of critical dates for the Committee; (ii) maintaining an internal task list to monitor
8 the status of pending matters; (iii) arranging telephonic and video hearing lines for Milbank
9 attorneys' participation in remote hearings; (iv) coordinating critical work streams among Milbank
10 attorneys and the Committee's various other advisors; and (v) reviewing the docket for new
11 pleadings and distributing such filings to the Committee and its advisors along with summaries of
12 such pleadings. Milbank attorneys endeavored to minimize such administration matters while at
13 the same time ensuring that all of the Committee's various activities were performed in the most
14 expeditious manner possible.
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16 **Plan of Reorganization**

17 (Fees: \$1,752,573.00; Hours: 1,544.40)

18 35. The Debtors filed the first iteration of their chapter 11 plan on September 9, 2019
19 [Docket No. 3841] which was subsequently amended numerous times following settlements with
20 various of the Debtors' constituencies and other case developments. The remarkable efforts of all
21 parties in these Chapter 11 Cases culminated in the Debtors' filing of their final chapter 11 plan
22 dated June 19, 2020 [Docket No. 8048] and the Plan's confirmation on June 20, 2020.
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24 36. Throughout this time, Milbank attorneys reviewed the various issues raised in the
25 Debtors' Plan, Disclosure Statement, Solicitation Procedures Motion, *Notice of Filing of Plan*
26 *Supplement in Connection with Debtors' and Shareholder Proponents' Joint Chapter 11 Plan of*
27 *Reorganization Dated March 16, 2020* [Docket. No. 7037] (as amended, modified, or
28 supplemented from time to time, the "Plan Supplement"), the *Debtors' Motion for Entry of an*

1 *Order (I) Approving Case Resolution Contingency Process and (II) Granting Related Relief*
2 [Docket No. 6398] (the “CRCP Motion”), and the Noteholder RSA. Importantly, Milbank
3 engaged in vigorous negotiations with the Debtors to consensually resolve various plan and
4 disclosure statement issues and drafted and filed a limited objection to confirmation of the Debtors’
5 then-filed plan of reorganization [Docket No. 7300] as well as a response to the Disclosure
6 Statement and Solicitation Procedures Motion [Docket No. 6154]. In addition, Milbank
7 participated in status conferences for and advised the Committee with respect to the estimation
8 proceeding before the Northern District of California.

10 37. In connection with the Plan, Milbank attorneys researched and analyzed a number
11 of other confirmation issues, including, but not limited to, release, exculpation, discharge,
12 impairment, and classification of claims and interests. Milbank attorneys held numerous meetings
13 and calls with various parties with respect to the various plans and related documents and motions,
14 drafted memoranda with respect to issues raised in such documents for dissemination to the
15 Committee, and participated in hearings before the Court with respect to the Plan.

17 **Communications with Client**
18 (Fees: \$325,757.50; Hours: 280.30)

19 38. During the Compensation Period, in coordination with the Committee’s financial
20 advisors, Milbank attorneys spent a substantial amount of time coordinating, preparing materials
21 (including meeting agendas, factual and legal memoranda, summaries, and presentations) for
22 Committee meetings. In advance of such meetings, Milbank attorneys drafted memoranda for the
23 Committee summarizing and providing analyses and recommendations with respect to each
24 substantive matter that was scheduled for an upcoming hearing or was otherwise active. Milbank
25 attorneys also drafted substantive memoranda on numerous case topics, including, among other
26 things: (i) various iterations of the Plan; (ii) the Disclosure Statement; (iii) the Solicitation
27 Procedures; (iv) the Exit Financing Motion; (v) 2020 Compensation Motion; (vi) certain executory
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1 contract motions; (vii) the release provisions contained in the Plan; (viii) the TCC's Standing and
2 Discovery Motions; (ix) certain retention applications filed by the Debtors and other parties; and
3 (x) each of the Debtors' other substantive motions.

4 39. Milbank attorneys also prepared for and participated in numerous calls and other
5 communications, including via email, with individual Committee members and their counsel, as
6 well as with the subcommittees established by the Committee.
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8 **Communications with Unsecured Creditors**
(Fees: \$17,284.50; Hours: 13.10)

9 40. During the Compensation Period, in accordance with the Committee's statutory
10 duties under section 1102(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Milbank attorneys responded electronically
11 and telephonically to various inquiries received from the Debtors' unsecured creditors regarding
12 these cases. Milbank also maintained frequent contact with advisors to major constituencies in
13 these cases, including the Debtors, the TCC, the AHC and the Subrogation Group, to discuss open
14 issues and upcoming matters important to the Committee, communicate the Committee's positions
15 and seek mutually acceptable courses of action.
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17 **Committee Meetings**
18 (Fees: \$368,416.50; Hours: 285.40)

19 41. Given the significant size of the Debtors' cases and the sheer amount of materials
20 that the Committee's advisors were tasked with handling, including multiple plans, the Disclosure
21 Statement, the Exit Financing Motion, and other substantial motions and applications, Milbank
22 conducted regular telephonic meetings with the Committee (collectively, the "Committee
23 Meetings"). During Committee Meetings, Milbank attorneys discussed key issues with the
24 Committee, including all of the upcoming matters scheduled for hearing by the Court. Prior to
25 such meetings, Milbank attorneys reviewed pending matters requiring the Committee's attention
26 and the underlying documentation and coordinated advice with the Committee's other
27 professionals. Milbank attorneys also drafted agendas for all such meetings and distributed
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1 pertinent information in advance to the Committee. Thereafter, Milbank discussed each of these
2 matters with the Committee, as well as individual Committee members on separate occasions, and
3 assisted the Committee in formulating a position with respect to each matter. Milbank also
4 provided Committee members with regular, and sometimes daily, update emails regarding the
5 status of these cases.

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7 **General Case Strategy**
(Fees: \$457,858.00; Hours: 369.00)

8 42. As Committee counsel, Milbank expended significant time organizing the
9 Committee by, among other things: (i) conducting numerous calls, both internally, with Milbank
10 attorneys, and externally, with the Committee's other professionals to discuss and analyze pending
11 motions and applications, as well as other tasks and projects; (ii) corresponding with the Debtors
12 and their advisors regarding various work streams and diligence items; and (iii) analyzing new
13 pleadings filed on the bankruptcy docket.
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15 43. Further, on a weekly basis during the Compensation Period, Milbank attorneys led
16 advisors-only calls with the Committee's financial advisors to prepare for regular Committee
17 meetings and other matters. During such calls, the Committee's advisors discussed general case
18 strategy, issues that may be appropriate for special attention by the Committee and proposed
19 recommendations with respect to such issues. Also during the Compensation Period, Milbank
20 attorneys drafted minutes to memorialize the Committee's resolutions during Committee
21 meetings.
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23 **Court Hearings**
24 (Fees: \$460,127.00; Hours: 423.70)

25 44. During the Compensation Period, Milbank attorneys spent considerable time
26 preparing for and attending (either in person or telephonically) all significant hearings and Court
27 conferences in these cases and related adversary proceedings. Significant hearings were held with
28 regard to: (i) the Noteholders' and TCC's RSAs; (ii) the Exit Financing Motion; (iii) the *Omnibus*

1 *Objection of the Official Committee of Tort Claimants (Substantive) to No Liability Claims Filed*
2 *by the Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (Claim Nos.*
3 *59692, 59734 & 59783 [Docket No. 4943] (the “FEMA Claims Objection”) and the Omnibus*
4 *Objection of the Official Committee of Tort Claimants (Substantive) to Claims Filed by California*
5 *Governor’s Office of Emergency Services [Docket No. 5096] (the “Cal OES Claims Objection”);*
6 *(iv) the TCC Discovery Motion; (v) the Disclosure Statement and Solicitation Procedures Motion;*
7 *(vi) the CRCP Motion; (vii) the Application of the Official Committee of Tort Claimants Pursuant*
8 *to 11 U.S.C. § 1103 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014 and 5002 to Retain and Employ Cathy Yanni as*
9 *Claims Administrator Nunc Pro Tunc to January 13, 2020 through the Effective Date of the*
10 *Resolution Trust Agreement [Docket No. 5723] and Application of the Official Committee of Tort*
11 *Claimants Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1103 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2014 and 5002 to Retain and*
12 *Employ Hon. John K. Trotter (Ret.) as Trustee Nunc Pro Tunc to January 13, 2020 through the*
13 *Effective Date of the Resolution Trust Agreement [Docket No. 5726] (together, the “Trotter &*
14 *Yanni Retention Applications”); (viii) the TCC Standing Motion; (ix) the Motion of Debtors*
15 *Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a) and 363(b) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. Rule 9019 for Entry of an Order*
16 *Approving (I) Agreement and Settlement with People of the State of California and (II) Granting*
17 *Related Relief [Docket No. 6418] (the “Butte County Agreement Motion”); (x) Plan confirmation*
18 *hearings; and (xi) numerous other motions.*

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22 45. Milbank attorneys communicated in advance of hearings with other parties in
23 interest, including the Debtors, the TCC, the Subrogation Group, the AHC and the U.S. Trustee
24 regarding the relief requested and any issues raised thereby, in an effort to consensually resolve
25 concerns prior to the applicable hearing. Given the nature of these cases, many matters went
26 forward during the Compensation Period on a contested basis, necessitating active Committee
27 participation to advance and protect the interests of its constituency. Moreover, because the issues
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1 that arose implicated numerous nuanced areas of the law, the contribution of Milbank attorneys
2 spanning multiple specialties was necessary to properly represent the Committee.

3 **Non-Working Travel**
4 (Fees: \$31,829.25; Hours: 56.10)

5 46. Prior to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, during the Compensation Period,
6 Milbank attorneys were required to travel to and from San Francisco on a regular basis – sometimes
7 making multiple trips in a single week – for court hearings, meetings with the Debtors and their
8 respective advisors. Efforts were made to use travel time productively, for performing work for
9 the estates or for other client-related matters, but this was not always possible or practicable.
10 Pursuant to an agreement with the Fee Examiner, as directed by the Court, non- working travel
11 time spent by Milbank attorneys traveling to and from meetings, conferences, hearings and similar
12 events in connection with Milbank’s representation of the Committee was either not billed or
13 limited to two (2) hours for each way of a trip.
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15 **Retention/Fee Applications**
16 (Fees: \$131,711.50; Hours: 140.90)

17 47. During the Compensation Period, Milbank worked with the Committee and its
18 financial advisors to draft and/or finalize each professional’s fee applications and exhibits thereto.
19 Specifically, Milbank prepared its own fee applications and assisted with the preparation of the fee
20 applications of FTI Consulting, Inc., as the Committee’s financial advisor, Centerview Partners
21 LLC, as the Committee’s investment banker, and Axiom Advisors, as the Committee’s
22 government affairs consultant.
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24 **Wildfire Claims and Treatment**
(Fees: \$36,817.00; Hours: 32.60)

25 48. During the Compensation Period, Milbank attorneys researched and addressed a
26 host of issues for the Committee related to mass tort cases, including the claims estimation process
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1 and potential mechanisms or structures to address those claims and other liability issues. In
2 addition, Milbank reviewed various issues related to the possible treatment of the wildfire claims.

3 49. Following the entry into the Subrogation and TCC RSAs, Milbank reviewed and
4 analyzed the related materials and reviewed drafts of the various documents intended to govern
5 the trusts and distribution of funds to be made pursuant to these agreements, including the various
6 trust agreements, claims procedures and TCC Standing Motion.
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8 ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION

9 50. In light of the size and complexity of these Chapter 11 Cases, the professional
10 services rendered by Milbank required the expenditure of substantial time and effort by a large but
11 lean team of attorneys and a high degree of professional competence and expertise across multiple
12 specialties. It is respectfully submitted that the services rendered to the Committee were performed
13 efficiently, effectively and economically, and the results obtained to date have benefited unsecured
14 creditors and the Debtors' estates.
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16 51. The interim allowance of compensation for services rendered and reimbursement
17 of expenses in bankruptcy cases is expressly provided for in Bankruptcy Code section 331:

18 ... any professional person . . . may apply to the court not more than once every
19 120 days after an order for relief in a case under this title, or more often if the court
20 permits, for such compensation for services rendered . . . as is provided under
21 section 330 of this title.

22 52. With respect to the level of compensation, Bankruptcy Code section 330(a)(1)(A)
23 provides, in pertinent part, that the Court may award to a professional person "reasonable
24 compensation for actual, necessary services rendered[.]" See In re Manoa Finance Co., 853 F.2d
25 687, 689 (9th Cir. 1988) (stating that section 330 authorizes reasonable compensation for certain
26 services and costs). Section 330(a)(3), in turn, provides that:

27 In determining the amount of reasonable compensation to be awarded to . . .
28 [a] professional person, the court shall consider the nature, the extent, and the value
of such services, taking into account all relevant factors, including –

1 (A) the time spent on such services;

2 (B) the rates charged for such services;

3 (C) whether the services were necessary to the administration of, or beneficial at
4 the time which the service was rendered toward the completion of, a case under
5 this title;

6 (D) whether the services were performed within a reasonable amount of time
7 commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue,
8 or task addressed;

9 (E) with respect to a professional person, whether the person is board certified or
10 otherwise has demonstrated skill and expertise in the bankruptcy field; and

11 (F) whether the compensation is reasonable based on the customary compensation
12 charged by comparably skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under this title.

13 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3). The clear Congressional intent and policy expressed by the statute is to
14 provide for adequate compensation to professionals in order to continue to attract qualified and
15 competent bankruptcy practitioners to bankruptcy cases. In re Fleming Cos., 304 B.R. 85, 92
16 (Bankr. D. Del. 2003) (“in enacting the Bankruptcy Code provisions which allow compensation
17 to attorneys, Congress sought to encourage qualified attorneys to develop bankruptcy expertise by
18 assuring that they would be compensated at the *same level* as their peers in other practice areas.”).

19 53. The total time spent by Milbank attorneys and paraprofessionals during the
20 Compensation Period was 4,485.70 hours and has a fair market value of \$4,942,522.75. As
21 demonstrated by this Fourth Interim Application and supporting exhibits, Milbank submits that its
22 services were rendered economically and without unnecessary duplication of efforts. In addition,
23 the work involved, and thus the time expended, was carefully assigned in consideration of the
24 experience and expertise required for each particular task. The compensation requested in the
25 Fourth Interim Application is based on the customary compensation charged by comparably
26 skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under the Bankruptcy Code.
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54. As reflected in this Fourth Interim Application and the supporting documents, Milbank spent its time efficiently and without unnecessary duplication of time. Nonetheless, Milbank has voluntarily agreed to reduce its fees during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$450,070.00 (the “Voluntary Reduction”).⁵

EXPENSES

55. Bankruptcy Code Section 330 also authorizes “reimbursement for actual, necessary expenses” incurred by a retained professional. 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1)(B). “Once documented, ‘actual and necessary expenses’ are automatically reimbursable.” In re Wendy’s of Montana, Inc., 111 B.R. 314, 315 (Bankr. N.D. Mont. 1988). Milbank seeks reimbursement for actual out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the rendition of the professional services to the Committee in the sum of \$131,711.50. The disbursements have been incurred in accordance with Milbank’s normal practice of charging clients for expenses clearly related to and required by particular matters. In accordance with section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, Milbank seeks reimbursement only for the actual cost of such expenses to Milbank. Milbank charges for these expenses at rates consistent with those charged to Milbank’s other bankruptcy clients, which rates are equal to or less than the rates charged by Milbank to its non-bankruptcy clients. Milbank has minimized these expenses to the greatest extent possible. A detailed summary of the expenses is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. Copies of supporting documentation for the out-of-pocket expenses (receipts, statements, invoices, etc.) will be provided to the Court, the U.S. Trustee and the Fee Examiner upon request.

56. Milbank's hourly billing rates do not include charges for photocopying, telephone and facsimile charges, computerized research, travel expenses, "working meals," secretarial

⁵ Milbank reserves the right to seek allowance of all or a portion of such fees in connection with its final fee application or in advance thereof.

1 overtime, postage and certain other office services, since the needs of each client for such services
2 differ. Milbank believes that it is more appropriate to charge each client only for the expenses
3 actually incurred in performing services therefor.

4 57. Milbank seeks reimbursement at the following rates for the following expenses:
5 (i) ten cents (\$0.10) per page for photocopying; (ii) ten cents (\$0.10) per page for black and white
6 printing; and (iii) ten cents (\$0.10) per page for color printing. Milbank's charges for internal
7 duplicating are well below the \$.50 per page rate authorized by statute for copies made by the
8 clerks of the United States Courts. See 28 U.S.C. § 1914(b); Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees
9 n.4. Milbank currently does not charge for facsimile transmissions. Milbank has negotiated a
10 discounted transactional rate for computer assisted legal research. Milbank is not seeking
11 reimbursement of hourly fees of its secretarial services in this Fourth Interim Application. Further,
12 in providing or obtaining services from third parties that are reimbursable by clients, Milbank does
13 not include in such reimbursable amount any costs of investment, equipment, or capital outlay.

14 58. Throughout the Compensation Period, Milbank has been keenly aware of cost
15 considerations and has tried to minimize the expenses charged to the Debtors' estates.

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18 **NO FEE SHARING; DISINTERESTEDNESS OF MILBANK;
19 NO PRIOR APPLICATIONS**

20 59. No agreement or understanding exists between Milbank and any other person for
21 the sharing of any compensation to be received for professional services rendered or to be rendered
22 in connection with these cases.

23 60. No prior application has been made in this or in any other Court for the relief
24 requested herein for the Compensation Period.

25 **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

26 61. Although every effort has been made to include all fees and expenses incurred
27 during the Compensation Period, some fees and expenses incurred during the period might not be
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1 included in this Fourth Interim Application due to delays caused in connection with the accounting
2 and processing of such time and expenses. Accordingly, Milbank reserves the right to make further
3 application to this Court for allowance of such fees and expenses incurred during this
4 Compensation Period but not included herein.

5 **NOTICE**

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7 62. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases. Pursuant to
8 the Interim Compensation Order, notice of this Application has been served upon: (i) the Debtors
9 c/o Pacific Gas & Electric Company, 77 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94105 (Attn: Janet
10 Loduca, Esq.); (ii) the attorneys for the Debtors, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue,
11 New York, New York 10153 (Attn: Stephen Karotkin, Esq. and Rachael Foust, Esq.) and Keller
12 & Benvenuti LLP, 650 California Street, Suite 1900, San Francisco, CA 94108 (Attn: Tobias S.
13 Keller, Esq. and Jane Kim, Esq.); (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for Region 17, 450
14 Golden Gate Avenue, 5th Floor, Suite #05-0153, San Francisco, CA 94102 (Attn: James L. Snyder,
15 Esq. and Timothy Laffredi, Esq.); (iv) counsel for the TCC, Baker & Hostetler LLP, 11601
16 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1400, Los Angeles, CA 90025-0509 (Attn: Eric Sagerman, Esq. and
17 Cecily Dumas, Esq.); and (v) counsel to the Fee Examiner, Scott McNutt, 324 Warren Road, San
18 Mateo, CA 94402 (Attn: Scott McNutt).

19 **CONCLUSION**

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21 WHEREFORE, Milbank respectfully requests that the Court enter an order: (i) allowing
22 Milbank (a) interim compensation for professional services rendered as counsel for the Committee
23 during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$4,942,522.75; and (b) reimbursement of
24 expenses incurred in connection with rendering such services in the aggregate amount of
25 \$146,824.85, for a total award of \$5,089,347.60; (ii) authorizing and directing the Debtors to pay
26 (to the extent not previously paid in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order) to Milbank
27 \$2,667,789.61 which is an amount equal to the difference between (a) this \$5,089,347.60 award;
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1 and (b) \$2,421,557.99, the total of all amounts that the Debtors have previously paid to Milbank
2 pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order for services rendered and expenses incurred during
3 the Compensation Period; and (iii) granting such further relief as is just and appropriate.
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5 Dated: July 15, 2020

6 Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A
COMPENSATION BY PROFESSIONAL

The attorneys who rendered professional services in these Chapter 11 Cases from February 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020 (the “Fee Period”) are:

NAME OF PROFESSIONAL PARTNERS, COUNSEL & SENIOR ATTORNEYS:	DEPARTMENT	YEAR ADMITTED	HOURLY RATE	TOTAL HOURS BILLED	TOTAL COMPENSATION
William Bice	Global Project, Energy and Infrastructure Finance	1996	\$1,615	141.00	\$227,715.00
Gregory Bray	Financial Restructuring	1984	\$1,615 \$807.5*	384.10 6.30	\$620,321.50 \$5,087.25
Dennis Dunne	Financial Restructuring	1991	\$1,615	115.60	\$186,694.00
Russell Kestenbaum	Tax	1999	\$1,615	16.90	\$27,293.50
Thomas Kreller	Financial Restructuring	1992	\$1,615 \$807.5*	182.00 4.00	\$293,930.00 \$3,230.00
Andrew Leblanc	Litigation	2000	\$1,615 \$807.5*	41.60 4.00	\$67,184.00 \$3,230.00
Alan Stone	Litigation	1988	\$1,615 \$807.5*	120.80 8.00	\$195,092.00 \$6,460.00
Manan Shah	Tax	2002	\$1,425	5.40	\$8,316.00
Craig Price	Financial Restructuring	2000	\$1,175	770.90	\$905,807.50
Samir Vora	Litigation	2007	\$1,175 \$587.5*	585.90 6.00	\$688,432.50 \$3,525.00
Lena Mandel	Financial Restructuring	1991	\$1,175	176.10	\$206,917.50
Total Partners, Counsel & Senior Attorneys:			\$1,342.85	2,568.60	\$3,449,235.75

NAME OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATES:	DEPARTMENT	YEAR ADMITTED*	HOURLY RATE	TOTAL HOURS BILLED	TOTAL COMPENSATION
Kamel Aitelaj	Litigation	2008	\$1,045	25.60	\$26,752.00
James Beebe	Tax	2011	\$1,045	8.00	\$8,360.00
Erin Dexter	Litigation	2014	\$995	310.70	\$309,146.50
Rachael Franzoia	Financial Restructuring	2013	\$995	11.30	\$11,243.50
Jordan Weber	Financial Restructuring	2015	\$995 \$497.5*	114.00 8.70	\$113,430.00 \$4,328.25
Chad Richards	Global Project, Energy and Infrastructure Finance	2015	\$965	93.80	\$90,517.00
Christina Skaliks	Tax	2015	\$965	6.40	\$6,176.00
Julie Wolf	Litigation	2016	\$965	62.90	\$60,698.50
Kavon Khani	Litigation	2017	\$920	476.10	\$438,012.00
Megan McGuiggan	Litigation	2018	\$870	1.60	\$1,392.00
Margherita Capolino	Litigation	2019	\$770	33.60	\$25,872.00
Benjamin Heller	Tax	2016	\$770	3.30	\$2,541.00
Andrew Abell	Financial Restructuring	2020	\$625	150.20	\$93,875.00
Anna Bergstrom	Litigation	2020	\$625 \$312.5*	228.10 4.00	\$142,562.50 \$1,250.00
Nicholas Prey	Financial Restructuring	Not Yet Admitted	\$625	1.10	\$687.50
Jamie Santos Chavez	Financial Restructuring	2020	\$625	12.50	\$7,812.50
Jeff Snyder	Financial Restructuring	2019	\$625 \$312.50	93.60 15.10	\$58,500.00 \$4,718.75
Total Associates:			\$847.81	1,660.60	\$1,407,875.00

NAME OF PARAPROFESSIONALS:	DEPARTMENT	HOURLY RATE	TOTAL HOURS BILLED	TOTAL COMPENSATION
Angel Anderson	Litigation	\$365	5.50	\$2,007.50
Abayomi Ayandipo	Litigation	\$365	20.50	\$7,482.50

NAME OF PARAPROFESSIONALS:	DEPARTMENT	HOURLY RATE	TOTAL HOURS BILLED	TOTAL COMPENSATION
Jenifer Gibbs	Litigation	\$365	8.00	\$2,920.00
David McCracken	Litigation	\$365	46.80	\$17,082.00
Ricky Windom	Litigation	\$340	8.80	\$2,992.00
Ishmael Taylor-Kamara	Financial Restructuring	\$320	9.60	\$3,072.00
Charmaine Thomas	Financial Restructuring	\$320	122.80	\$39,296.00
Jacqueline Brewster	Financial Restructuring	\$300	31.70	\$9,510.00
James Mcguire	Practice Support	\$375	2.80	\$1,050.00
Total Paraprofessionals and other non-legal staff:		\$332.99	256.50	\$85,412.00

PROFESSIONALS	BLENDED RATE	TOTAL HOURS BILLED	TOTAL COMPENSATION
TOTALS:			
Partners and Counsel	\$1,342.85	2,568.60	\$3,449,235.75
Associates	\$847.81	1,660.60	\$1,407,875.00
Paraprofessionals and other non-legal staff	\$332.99	256.50	\$85,412.00
Blended Attorney Rate	\$1,148.47	4,229.20	\$4,857,110.75
Total Fees Incurred	\$1,101.84	4,485.70	\$4,942,522.75

EXHIBIT B

COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY

Project Category	Total Hours	Total Fees
00003 Automatic Stay	6.70	\$5,892.50
00004 Bankruptcy Litigation	726.90	\$736,238.50
00007 Case Administration (Dockets updates, WIP and calendar)	191.40	\$133,970.50
00009 Plan of Reorganization	1,544.40	\$1,752,573.00
00010 Communications with Client	280.30	\$325,757.50
00011 Communications with Unsecured Creditors	13.10	\$17,284.50
00012 Committee Meetings	285.40	\$368,416.50
00016 DIP Financing/Cash Management/Exit Financing	39.70	\$47,128.00
00018 General Case Strategy(includes calls with client	369.00	\$457,858.00
00020 Court Hearings	423.70	\$460,127.00
00022 Non-Bankruptcy Litigation	2.00	\$3,230.00
00023 Non-Working Travel	56.10	\$31,829.25
00027 CPUC	305.50	\$359,027.50
00029 Retention/Fee Applications	140.90	\$131,711.50
00032 Subrogation Issues	6.60	\$7,699.50
00034 Tax Issues	7.00	\$9,520.00
00038 Wildfire Claims and Treatment	32.60	\$36,817.00
00039 Employee Benefits/Severance Issues	54.40	\$57,442.00
Total	4,485.70	\$4,942,522.75

EXHIBIT C

EXPENSE SUMMARY

Expense Category	Total Expenses
Airfreight/Messenger	\$1,260.78
Cab Fares/Local Transportation	\$5,017.79
Computerized Database Research	\$77,228.17
Filing Fees	\$1,278.40
Lodging	\$26,902.89
Meals	\$5,233.21
Outside Word Processing	917.50
Photocopies/Printing	\$3,288.09
Telephone	\$3,043.91
Transcript Expenses	\$9,923.83
Travel	\$12,730.28
TOTAL	\$146,824.85

EXHIBIT D

CUSTOMARY AND COMPARABLE COMPENSATION DISCLOSURES

Category of Timekeeper	Blended Hourly Rate	
	Billed Firm-wide for preceding Fiscal year (FY2019) ¹	Billed February 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020
Partner	\$1,221.77	\$1,597.12
Counsel	\$911.75	\$1,172.71
Associate	\$668.38	\$847.81
Paralegal	\$261.99	\$332.99
Aggregated	\$755.31	\$1,101.84

¹ As requested in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines, the calculations in this column exclude members of Milbank's Financial Restructuring Group.

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EXHIBIT E
KRELLER DECLARATION

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re:

PG&E CORPORATION

- and -

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC
COMPANY,

Debtors.

Case No. 19-30088 (DM)

Chapter 11

(Lead Case)

(Jointly Administered)

CERTIFICATION OF THOMAS R. KRELLER REGARDING FOURTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF MILBANK LLP FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION AND FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 1, 2020 THROUGH MAY 31, 2020

- ☐ Affects PG&E Corporation
☐ Affects Pacific Gas and Electric Company
☒ Affects both Debtors

* All papers shall be filed in the Lead Case, No. 19-30088 (DM).

1. I am a partner in the Financial Restructuring Group of the firm Milbank LLP (“Milbank”), counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors (the “Committee”) in these Chapter 11 Cases. I am admitted to the bar of the State of California.

2. I make this certification regarding the *Fourth Interim Fee Application of Milbank LLP for Allowance of Compensation for Services Rendered and for Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred as Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for the Period from February 1, 2020 through May 31, 2020* (the “Fourth Interim Fee Application”). I am familiar with: (i) the *Order Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 331 and 105(a) and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2016 for Authority to Establish Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals* [Docket No. 701] (the “Interim Compensation Order”); (ii) the *Guidelines for*

1 *Compensation and Expense Reimbursement of Professionals and Trustees for the Northern District*
2 *of California*, dated February 19, 2014 (the “Local Guidelines”); (iii) the *U.S. Trustee Guidelines*
3 *for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11*
4 *U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases*, effective November 1, 2013 (the “U.S.
5 Trustee Guidelines”); and (iv) the *Fee Examiner Protocol for Chapter 11 Cases of PG&E*
6 *Corporation and Pacific Gas and Electric Company*, filed on October 24, 2019 [Docket No. 4473-
7 1] (the “Fee Examiner Protocol” and collectively, the “Fee Guidelines”).

9 3. I have reviewed the Fourth Interim Fee Application and hereby certify that, to the
10 best of my knowledge, information and belief, it complies with the Fee Guidelines and the
11 applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules. The fees and
12 disbursements sought are billed at rates in accordance with those generally charged by Milbank
13 and generally accepted by Milbank’s clients. I certify that: (i) all of the services for which
14 compensation is sought in the Fourth Interim Fee Application were rendered for or on behalf of
15 the Committee solely in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases; and (ii) the Fourth Interim Fee
16 Application is being served on the Debtors, the TCC, the U.S. Trustee and the Fee Examiner in
17 accordance with the Interim Compensation Order. Additionally, I hereby certify that, in
18 accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, and in connection with preparing this Fourth
19 Interim Fee Application, Milbank has made a reasonable effort to comply with the U.S. Trustee’s
20 requests for information and additional disclosures set forth in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines. To
21 that end, Milbank specifically responds to certain questions identified in the U.S. Trustee
22 Guidelines as follows:

23 Question 1: Did Milbank agree to any variations from, or alternatives to, Milbank’s
24 standard or customary billing rates, fees or terms for services pertaining to
25 this engagement that were provided during the application period? If so,
26 please explain.

27 Answer: No.

1 Question 2: If the fees sought in the Fourth Interim Fee Application as compared to the
2 fees budgeted for the time period covered by the Application are higher by
3 10% or more, did Milbank discuss the reasons for the variation with the
 client?

4 Answer: Milbank has discussed its fees with the Committee. Because
5 the Debtors' Plan was confirmed and it has gone effective,
 the Committee has been dissolved.

6 Question 3: Have any of the professionals included in the Fourth Interim Fee
7 Application varied their hourly rate based on geographic location of the
8 bankruptcy case?

9 Answer: No.

10 Question 4: Does the Fourth Interim Fee Application include time or fees related to
11 reviewing or revising time records or preparing, reviewing or revising
12 invoices?

13 Answer: The Fourth Interim Fee Application includes a small amount
14 of time and fees related to reviewing or revising time records
15 for privileged or confidentiality and preparing, reviewing or
16 revising invoices in connection with the preparation of
17 Monthly Fee Statements relating to the period covered by
18 this Fourth Interim Fee Application.

19 Question 5: Does the Fourth Interim Fee Application include time for fees for reviewing
20 time records to redact any privileged or other confidential information?

21 Answer: Yes. See above.

22 Question 6: Does the Fourth Interim Fee Application include any rate increases since
23 retention in these cases:

24 Answer: Yes. The Fourth Interim Fee Applications does include rate
25 increases since retention in these cases.

26 Question 7: Did the client agree when retaining Milbank to accept all future rate
27 increases? If not, did Milbank inform the client that they need not agree to
28 modified rates or terms in order to have you continue the representation,
 consistent with ABA Formal Ethics Opinion 11-458?

Answer: The client did not prospectively approve such rate increases
 but was notified at the outset of the engagement that
 Milbank's hourly rates are reviewed and revised from time
 to time. In accordance with ABA Formal Ethics Opinion 11-
 458, Milbank also notified the Committee at the outset of the
 representation that it need not agree to any modified rates or
 terms in order to have Milbank continue its representation of
 the Committee.

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